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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98, the reference or references listed and identified on the attached PTO-SB08 form are being submitted herewith to be placed in the file pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i). A copy of each listed foreign or non-patent literature reference is included herewith. Applicants further submit that the submission of the various Office Actions and Notices of Allowance from related cases is in accordance with Federal Circuit precedent, for example, as set forth in *McKesson Information Solutions v. Bridge Medical*, 82 U.S.P.Q.2d 1865 (Fed. Cir. 2007).

The reference or references are being cited only in the interest of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

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Respectfully submitted,

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